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REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN,

AND

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

OF THE

TOWN OF TROY,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1870.

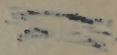


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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

We, the subscribers, Selectmen of the town of Troy, submit the following Report :

Amount of Money Expended by the several Highway Surveyors for the Repairs of Highways.

District No. 1, Thomas Wright,	\$28 94
" 2, Edwin Buttrick,	34 63
" 3, Jonas Bemis,	32 15
" 4, Amos Avery,	28 56
" 5, Leonard Farrar,	44 38
" 6, Hamilton Parker,	48 09
" 7, Edmund Bemis,	75 65
" 8, Gregory Lawrence,	8 75
" 9, Daniel M. Farrar,	24 26
" 10, Lorenzo Dexter,	25 36
" 11, William N. Watson,	18 26
" 12, Jotham H. Holt,	20 47
" 13, Levi Merrifield,	25 61
" 14, Albert Pratt,	19 11
" 15, Daniel J. Fife,	29 44
" 16, Lovel P. Butler,	15 98
" 17, Alva S. Clark,	17 93
" 18, Luke C. Clark,	13 50
" 19, Franklin Whitcomb,	19 65
	<hr/> \$530 72

Amount of money appropriated for Schools in 1869.

Assessed for the year 1869,	\$800 00
Literary Fund from the State,	33 60
Railroad money,	28 00
Interest of School Fund notes,	24 00
	<hr/> \$885 60

Division of School Money.

District No. 1, Abel W. Baker,	\$322 85	
“ 2, Stephen B. Farrar,	227 20	
“ 3, Hamilton Parker,	116 77	
“ 4, Webster Corey,	98 38	
“ 5, Daniel J. Fife,	57 82	
“ 6, Luke C. Clark,	59 29	
George Damon, School tax in Fitzwilliam,	3 29	
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	\$885 60	
Due District No. 4 money not expended, \$20 55		
“ “ 5 “ “ 10 82		
“ “ 6 “ “ 9 29		
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	\$40 66	
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		\$844 94

State and County Taxes.

State Tax,	\$1,386 00	
County Tax,	671 87	
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		\$2,057 87

Fire Department.

William G. Silsby, services of engine men voted by town	\$180 00	
E. P. Kimball, for wood and oil used by firemen,	4 63	
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		184 63

Repairs of Highways and Bridges.

William N. Watson, work on road,	\$2 56	
Amos Avery, work on bridge near J. Fife's,	7 25	
Jotham H. Holt, repairing road in district No. 14,	20 00	
“ “ “ “ 13,	19 00	
Ira Boyden, work and lumber furnished on bridge in village,	24 00	
Gregory Lawrence, for bridge stringers, plank and work on highways and bridges,	136 26	
Joseph E. Lawrence, for spruce lumber and work,	26 50	
Edward C. Sutton, work on bridges,	47 37	
Franklin Woodward, “	17 25	
Elliot Whitcomb, for board of men while working on bridges,	2 00	
William G. Silsby, repairing road to tannery,	8 00	
Charles W. Brown, for lumber furnished and work on bridges,	14 85	

Jubal E. Allen, hewing bridge stringers,	4 50
M. A. Dickerman, work on bridges,	17 50
Lovel P. Butler, “	15 28
Sidney A. Butler, “	7 28
Jonas Bemis, work with oxen on bridges,	52 00
Elisha H. Tolman, drawing timber and work on roads,	13 50
Jacob Boyce, drawing bridge timber,	8 00
William A. Harris, work on bridges,	58 00
Silas Moody, laying stone,	45 00
Stephen B. Farrar, work with oxen on roads and bridges,	167 50
Stephen B. Farrar, repairing bridge in dist. No. 2,	5 00
Andrew Perham, work on bridges,	72 50
John T. Leonardson, work on roads and bridges,	45 50
David W. Farrar, for bridge timber,	7 00
“ “ bridge stringers,	2 00
John Curtis, one day's work on bridge,	1 50
William A. Harris, for bridge plank,	15 23
Thomas White, drawing bridge timber,	5 00
John Devine, work on roads and bridges,	12 25
Daniel A. Starkey, work on bridge,	2 50
“ boarding Silas Moody while working on bridges,	3 85
Edmund Bemis, work on roads and bridges,	31 50
Willard White, work on roads and bridges,	3 50
Daniel M. Farrar, for bridge stringers,	6 25
George W. Brown, for spikes used on bridges,	60
Luther Whittemore, laying stone on bridge,	43 00
Barrett Ripley, for Forristall & Brown work on bridges,	5 38
“ plank used on bridges,	2 68
“ use of derrick,	28 00
“ work on roads with oxen,	20 00
“ use of tools on roads,	1 00
Abel W. Baker, work with oxen on bridges,	7 50
James R. Stanley, work on Stanley bridge,	8 00
Edmund Bemis for work on roads and bridges,	14 09
Calvin Alexander, railing bridges,	4 60
E. P. Kimball, for spikes used on bridges,	84
Levi Streeter, work on roads,	5 00
Asa Wood, work with oxen on roads and bridges,	18 85
S. B. Farrar, cash paid John Sullivan and D. M. Farrar for work,	2 75
Edmund Bemis, work railing bridges,	4 00
C. W. Brown, work and lumber furnished on bridge,	3 50
C. W. Whitney, for powder and fuse used on roads,	2 57
David W. Farrar, for work with oxen on bridges,	18 10
<hr/> \$1,117 64	

Abatement of Taxes.

Ivers Emerson, over assessment on lumber	\$1 25
Chaney N. Garfield, not taxable in 1868,	11 52
Benjamin Darling, poll tax in 1864,	3 59
Cyrus Fairbanks, heirs not taxable "	53 82
Enoch Garfield, poll tax "	3 59
Jacob Harrington, " "	3 59
Daniel Starkey, whole tax, "	8 92
Daniel P. Thompson, whole tax "	4 67
A. Bixby, whole tax in 1863,	2 86
Enoch Garfield, poll tax "	2 36
James R. Stanley, highway tax worked on road,	2 16
William L. Bemis, an over assessment in 1869,	5 02
Thomas Wright, poll tax, he being over 70 years old,	2 51
Dexter Warren, poll tax, not taxable,	2 51
John A. Allen, poll tax,	2 51
Asa Fisk, " "	2 51
Henry W. Farrar, " "	2 51
Active Perue,	2 51
Willard White, whole tax, not taxable,	28 57
— Upham, poll tax, not taxable,	2 51
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	\$149 49

Support of Poor for 1868 and 1869.

Paid State Reform School for board of W. E. Oakes,	\$94 57
Lucy J. Oakes, for boarding Appleton Oakes,	104 00
Leonard Farrar, for rent of Kendall place,	30 00
David W. Farrar, for house rent and wood for	
Mrs. Newell,	9 06
Chas. W. Brown, entertaining transient paupers,	3 00
" wood for William Ward,	8 50
" beef for William Ward,	58
C. Alexander, for boarding Caroline Alexander,	109 71
Dr. B. H. Hartwell, doct. Wm. Ward's family,	20 00
Edmund Bemis, cash paid Wm. Ward,	5 00
Dr. W. L. Dodge, doctoring Wm. Ward's family,	4 00
Chas. W. Whitney, flour for J. Kendall's family,	11 00
John Clement, for entertaining transient paupers,	2 25
E. P. Kimball, flour and goods delivered W. Ward,	25 09
Daniel J. Fife, for boarding Addie Nash,	3 00
Charles W. Brown, entertaining transient paupers,	3 15
Daniel M. Farrar, for wood for Wm. Ward,	3 10
Charles W. Whitney, for clothes for J. Kendall,	6 75
Ira Rice for entertaining transient paupers,	1 50
David W. Farrar, house rent for Wm. Ward,	44 00
" wood delivered Wm. Ward,	2 81
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	\$491 07

Town Officers paid for 1868.

Edmund Bemis, services as Selectman,	\$85 00
Charles W. Brown, "	29 50
Hamilton Parker, "	41 00
J. U. Beers, serv. as selectman & treasurer in 1866,	17 00
Jonathan S. Herrick, committee on public instruction,	50 00
Asa C. Dort, services as Town Clerk,	13 00
Barrett Ripley, Treasurer,	12 00
Edwin Buttrick, Auditor for 1867-8,	4 00
Leonard Farrar, "	2 00
John Clement, Collector of Taxes in 1868,	2 00
" Collecting " 1869,	40 00
	<hr/> \$295 50

Breaking Roads in the winter of 1868-9.

Paid Lorenzo Dexter, breaking roads,	\$5 60
Leonard Farrar, "	10 35
Charles W. Brown, "	6 82
Lovel P. Butler, "	9 00
Hamilton Parker, "	12 05
Edmund Bemis, "	17 72
William N. Watson, "	22 65
Jotham H. Holt, "	8 55
Levi Merrifield "	11 52
Alva S. Clark, "	6 34
Luke C. Clark, "	5 47
Jonas Bemis, "	9 35
William A. Harris, "	5 59
Stephen B. Farrar, "	2 32
Daniel M. Farrar, "	4 51
Ira G. Starkey, "	3 00
David P. Lowe, "	7 90
Joseph A. Tupper, "	2 50
	<hr/> \$151 24

Notes and Interest paid.

Hamilton Parker, endorsement on note,	\$50 00
Calvin Bemis, interest on notes,	21 00
Dexter Forristall, endorsement on note,	19 75
Luke C. Clark, note and interest,	106 00
George Stowell, endorsement on note,	50 00
Lee Rosebrook, note and interest,	265 94
Hamilton Parker, "	119 47
Susan Lowe, "	255 03

Augustus Hodgkins, four notes and interest,	460 77
Polly Amadon, interest on two notes,	21 00
Miriam Holt, interest on note,	18 00
Robert M. Silsby, note and interest,	223 25
Jotham H. Holt, interest on three notes,	24 00
Edmund Bemis, interest on three notes,	21 00
Savings Bank, Keene, note and interest,	859 55
Sidney B. Bowen, note and interest,	122 99
Samuel M. Thompson, “	391 09
Ruth Haskell, endorsement on note,	30 00
Polly Amadon, “	25 00
Joseph A. Tupper, note and interest,	107 21
David Nurse, interest on note,	30 00
George Bailey, “	30 00
Willard White, “	24 00
Abel Baker, interest on School Fund notes,	24 00
George Stowell, interest on note,	31 80
	<hr/> \$3330 85

Sundries.

Paid Garfield & Stratton, printing Town Reports,	\$24 00
Edmund Bemis, for stationery for Town officers,	5 30
“ Express on Town Reports,	50
Charles E. Boyce, for ringing bell,	32 50
Edmund Bemis, car fare and expenses at Keene,	1 30
Ira Boyden, repairing hay scales,	3 96
E. P. Kimball, for powder and paper,	95
Joseph A. Tupper, damage to horse, breaking through bridge,	25 00
Stephen B. Farrar, sexton services,	24 50
Bagnall & Loud, for shiv blocks for derrick,	39 00
Charles W. Whitney, for derrick ropes,	123 90
John Humfren, for derrick irons,	70 00
S. B. Farrar, for express on derrick irons,	54
George W. Brown, for water in Highway,	3 00
Edwin Buttrick, for plank used on derrick,	1 45
Barrett Ripley, for blacksmithing,	7 31
Lemuel W. Brown, for work making derrick,	13 12
Abel W. Baker, water in Highway,	3 00
E.S. Foster, damage sustained by a defect in road,	50 00
E. P. Kimball, for team used by Selectmen,	1 50
“ paper,	25
“ carriage damaged by defect in road,	10 50
Edmund Bemis, for postage stamps and horse hire,	7 90
Abel Baker, going to Keene to pay note, and stationery,	2 59
	<hr/> \$452 07

Recapitulation.

Highway,	\$530 72
Schooling,	844 94
State and County Tax,	2057 87
Fire Department,	184 63
Highways and Bridges,	1117 64
Abatement of Taxes,	149 49
Support of Poor,	491 07
Town Officers' Bills,	295 50
Breaking roads,	151 24
Notes and interest paid,	3330 85
Sundries,	452 07
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*Abel Baker, Treasurer, in account with the
Town of Troy.*

1869.	Dr.
March 12, To Cash in the Treasury,	\$119 95
Taxes in the hands of John U. Beers, Collector for 1863,	7 38
Taxes in the hands of John U. Beers, Collector for 1864,	88 26
Taxes in the hands of John Clement, Collector for 1868,	199 51
State, County, Town, School, and High- way taxes assessed,	4950 47
Dog tax assessed for the year 1869,	46 00
Borrowed of Calvin Bemis,	200 00
" Sybil Foster,	120 00
Rec'd of the County for sup. of paupers,	94 93
Borrowed of Sybil Foster,	100 00
" Silas B. Partridge,	1300 00
Rec'd of J. U. Beers, error in settlement,	25 00
Borrowed of Maria Wheeler, guardian of Walter H. Wheeler,	1056 61
Borrowed of Maria Wheeler,	200 00
Rec'd of J. Clement, for use of Town Hall,	4 40
" County for support of paupers,	90 97
" State Treas'r, Savings Bank tax,	302 65
" " Railroad Dividend,	196 99
" " Literary Fund,	33 60
Borrowed of David Nurse,	500 00
" Stephen B. Farrar,	100 00
" Mrs. Mary Harrington,	172 00

Rec'd of F. W. Bailey, Bank tax,	18 08	
“ Benj. L. Baldwin, Bank tax,	18 50	
“ Charles Cooledge, school fund		
note and interest,	111 00	
“ Town of Troy, interest of school		
fund notes,	24 00	
“ E. P. Kimball, for use of hay scales,	15 20	
		—————\$10095 50

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By paym't of 173 orders of Selectmen,	\$9606 02	
Outstanding taxes in the hands of		
John U. Beers, Coll. for 1864,	10 08	
Outstanding taxes in the hands of John		
Clement, Collector for 1869,	254 15	
Cash in the Treasury Feb. 26th, 1870,	225 25	
		—————\$10,095 50

Assets of the Town, March 1st, 1870.

Cash in the Treasury,	\$225 25	
Taxes in the hands of J. U. Beers, Coll. for 1864,	10 08	
“ “ John Clement, “ 1869,	254 15	
Due from the County,	53 50	
“ United States Government,	1482 00	
Furniture used by Mrs. Putney,	21 17	
Value of Hay scales,	200 00	
Town Meadow,	10 00	
Due from Barrett Ripley, Highway tax assessed 1867,	53 17	
Value of Town Derrick,	275 00	
		—————\$2584 32

Liabilities of the Town.

Jotham H. Holt, note and interest,	\$104 93
Polly Amadon, “	342 03
Jotham H. Holt,	207 25
Ruth Haskell,	109 95
Miriam Holt,	314 45
Sarah Haskell,	294 04
Edmund Bemis,	103 34
E. P. Kimball,	173 31

George G. Bailey,	505 00
Lafy Brown,	57 77
Willard White,	403 76
Edmund Bemis,	103 00
Calvin Bemis,	210 87
David Nurse,	506 16
Jesse Hiscock,	485 24
Elbridge Cooledge,	340 74
Lucy Harris,	223 13
George Stowell,	533 89
Ruth Haskell,	196 43
George Stowell,	88 58
Mary Whittemore,	1545 85
School Fund notes signed by Selectmen,	404 00
Edmund Bemis,	157 40
Jesse Hiscock,	219 47
Dexter Forristall,	224 83
Dexter Forristall,	6 72
Calvin Bemis,	158 55
Nancy P. Wheeler,	111 78
Sybil Foster,	111 58
Jotham H. Holt,	105 00
Charles W. Brown,	110 98
Hamilton Parker,	59 30
Sarah Haskell,	110 83
Gilbert C. Bemis,	215 71
Calvin Bemis,	211 33
Sybil Foster,	126 54
Sybil Foster,	105 16
Silas B. Partridge,	1361 53
Maria Wheeler,	205 30
Maria Wheeler, guardian of Walter H. Wheeler,	1084 61
David Nurse,	506 75
Stephen B. Farrar,	102 43
Mary Harrington,	173 14
Due Leonard Farrar, rent of Kendall place,	30 00
Wheeler & Faulkner, for counsel,	5 00
Moses Putney, for boarding Porter White,	38 58
Calvin Alexander, for board of C. Alexander,	3 00
Daniel P. Adams, for bridge plank,	18 32
Charles E. Boyce, for ringing bell,	2 50
Town Officers' bills by estimation,	250 00
District No. 5, money not expended in 1868,	22 45
“ “ 5, “ “ 1869,	10 82
“ “ 4, “ “ “	20 55
“ “ 6, “ “ “	9 29
O. L. French & Co., for printing,	2 00
Daniel M. Farrar, for bridge stringers,	3 10

Breaking roads in the winter of 1869 & '70,	20 00
John Clement, for collecting taxes,	5 00
Liabilities,	\$13,163 27
Assets subtracted,	2,584 32
Indebtedness March 1st, 1870,	\$10,578 95

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDMUND BEMIS,	} <i>Selectmen</i> of <i>Troy.</i>
CHARLES W. BROWN,	
STEPHEN B. FARRAR,	

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the reports of the Selectmen and Town Treasurer, and find them correctly cast.

D. W. FARRAR,	} <i>Auditors.</i>
E. P. KIMBALL,	

Troy, N. H., March 1, 1870.

REPORT OF THE ENGINEERS.

The Engineers of the Fire Department of the Town of Troy, respectfully submit the following Annual Report :

The engine, hose and hose carriage are in good and efficient condition. There has been no expense for repairs the past year.

The old crank engine should be repaired and put to use, or sold. As it now is, it is of no use to any one, but is fast going to decay.

The expense of our Fire Department is very small, compared with others of no more efficiency; and we would earnestly urge upon the town the necessity of furnishing some three or four cisterns, situated at convenient points, for a supply of water for the extinguishment of fires. We have as good a company of firemen as there is in the County, and we think they have always done as good execution at all fires as circumstances would admit. Let us appreciate their services by furnishing all necessary conveniences and apparatus.

Your Engineers purpose to purchase suitable ladders, and repair the fire hook, for the use of the company,—the ladders being a requisite the Department is now wholly destitute of. With these auxiliaries, and liberal influences from the citizens, we feel and trust that your Fire Department will be ever ready and sufficient for any and every emergency.

E. P. KIMBALL, *Chief Engineer.*

S. B. FARRAR, *Clerk.*

Troy, N. H., March 1, 1870.

SCHOOL REPORT.

FELLOW CITIZENS :

At this annual meeting, agreeably to the laws of this State, it becomes the duty of your Superintending School Committee, to present a report of the schools of the town, accompanied with such suggestions as the interests of the schools demand.

That our Common School System has done much for our nation, no reflecting mind will deny. The amount of knowledge in regard to the elementary branches of education, it has been the means of diffusing among the masses, has raised us, as a people, high among the nations of the world. A system that has done so much for us, should be cherished in our warmest affections, and elicit our heartiest efforts to perfect and sustain.

It is believed to be a settled fact that during the period that our children spend in the Common School, their habits become fixed for life. This being the case, what care should be bestowed by parents on their children during this period of their education, so that when they come upon the active stage of life they may be useful citizens.

That this end may be accomplished, strict attention should be given, among other things, to their moral training in our schools,

which renders it necessary to have the Bible among our text books, and the code of morals inculcated as therein found. If this was done, as our laws enjoin, many cases of discipline would be avoided which now occur, causing trouble to committee and teachers, sorrow to parents, and injury to the schools.

Then, too, our schools would be such that those cautious parents who have hesitated to send their children to them, would no longer fear to do so.

Moreover, the experience of the past suggests to us the fact, that such is the state of society, that our schools cannot be what they should be, unless we return to the former custom of employing male teachers for most of our schools during the winter, because females cannot, usually, for any length of time, exercise such discipline over boys as is essential to a good school.

Your Committee would also suggest that more attention be paid to penmanship in our schools, than is, at the present time, given to it; so that when our youth enter upon the active duties of life, they may be able to write a fair, legible hand.

And, furthermore, the Spelling Book should occupy a more prominent place in the instructions of the school-room, that our scholars may be correct in spelling, punctuation, &c., which, by no means is the case now.

And, while Mathematics should ever occupy a prominent place, it should not exclude History, Philosophy, Grammar, and similar studies, as it now too much does. There are many who have a fair knowledge of Arithmetic, who cannot tell a noun from a verb, and know, comparatively, nothing of Philosophy, History, etc.

The education of our children should be symmetrical, and not one-sided.

But we now pass from suggestions to a detailed account of our schools.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

MR. A. W. BAKER, Prudential Committee.

The Summer term of nine weeks, was taught by MISS NETTIE A. BLANDING, a well-qualified, experienced, and faithful teacher.

The school, under her judicious management, made good progress in all the branches studied, as was very evident at the closing examination.

The Fall term of this school was under the same instructress. It was to have been eleven weeks, but in consequence of her sickness, it closed abruptly at the end of the seventh. The school was also very much interrupted by the whooping-cough among the scholars; yet the progress made was as good as could be expected under the circumstances.

The Winter term of ten weeks, was under the tuition of Mr. D. W. NICHOLS of Keene, a well-qualified and thorough instructor.

The advancement of the school was excellent in every respect.

This is the third Winter that Mr. Nichols has had charge of this school, and the progress has been very good.

Miss Blanding has also taught in this district, Summer and Fall, for two successive seasons, with very marked success, which speaks well both for the teachers and the district.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

MR. S. B. FARRAR, Prudential Committee.

The Summer term of ten weeks, was under the instruction of Miss ANNA O. BOYCE, whose qualifications, so far as books are concerned, are amply sufficient to teach all that is required in our schools, but she failed somewhat in keeping good order, which is very essential to success in a school. The closing examination evinced, however, that, although there was not all that progress which could be desired, yet there was advancement made.

The Fall term of four weeks, was under the instruction of Miss MAY L. PARKER of Keene, a teacher who has had some experience. There was not all the order that should have been, during the first part of the term, but, at the closing examination, it was excellent. The advancement of the school in so short a term, of course, could not be very marked.

The Winter term of nine weeks, was under the care of Mr. J. A. SHERMAN of Keene, a gentleman, who, before the com-

mittee and in the school-room, proved himself able to instruct any Common School.

Under his critical instruction and thorough discipline, the school was soon brought into perfect working order. The irregularities which, heretofore, were so prominent, entirely disappeared, and at the close, the committee, parents, scholars, all felt that this term was a decided success. And it is to be hoped that the high stand which the school exhibited at its close, will mark its onward progress.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

MR. H. PARKER, Prudential Committee.

The Summer term of eight weeks, was taught by Miss S. LOUISA RICHARDSON, an experienced teacher, well qualified to instruct in all the branches required to be taught in our schools. Under her faithful instruction the school made good progress, and if she could have succeeded in keeping good order, would have been, we have reason to believe, very marked.

The Winter term was under the tuition of Mr. G. F. BURNHAM of Keene, a gentleman thoroughly qualified to instruct, and one who has had great experience in teaching. Under his care, the school made good progress, and the closing examination was very honorable both to the teacher and the scholars.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

MR. W. COREY, Prudential Committee.

The Summer term of eight weeks, and the Fall term of eleven weeks and two days, were both taught by Miss CLARA TOLMAN of Marlboro'.

This was Miss TOLMAN's first attempt at teaching. During the Summer term she exhibited an aptness to impart instruction, but, like many young teachers, she manifested a want of ability suitably to govern. Yet the school, under her, made fair progress. The Fall term commenced auspiciously, but it abruptly closed, without an examination, mainly on account of sickness

among the scholars. As to the progress which was made, if any, your committee is unable to say, for the reason above stated.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Mr. D. FIFE, Prudential Committee.

There was only one term in this district, and that a Fall term of eight weeks, taught by MISS ABBIE F. ALEXANDER, who, considering her age and inexperience, and the character of her school, it being composed of three nationalities, some of whom could scarcely speak a word in English, succeeded beyond the expectation of the committee.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Mr. L. C. CLARK, Prudential Committee.

In this district also, there was only a Fall term of thirteen weeks, instructed by MISS SUSAN FISHER of Fitzwilliam, a lady of considerable experience as a teacher. Miss Fisher soon succeeded in awakening among her scholars a good degree of interest in their studies, which was kept up during the whole term, and the result was very visible at the close, in the progress which all of the scholars had made.

HIGH SCHOOL.

There have been two terms during the year, mainly supported by tuition.

The Spring term was under the instruction of MRS. LOUISA B. WRIGHT of Swanzey, and the Fall term under the care of MISS S. LOUISA RICHARDSON of Cornish.

There was good progress made by the scholars, and it is a pleasing fact that efforts are still being made to sustain a High School in this place.

STATISTICS OF SUMMER AND FALL SCHOOLS, FOR 1869.

	Sum.	Fall.	Sum.	Fall.	Sum.	Sum.	Fall.	Fall.	Fall.
	1	1	2	2	3	4	4	5	6
Number of Districts,	52	36	43	45	18	20	21	10	11
Number of pupils,	42 ²³ / ₁₀₀	25 ² / ₇	36 ⁵¹ / ₁₀₀	36 ¹⁹ / ₄₀	14 ⁶³ / ₁₀₀	16 ⁵⁹ / ₁₀₀	16 ⁶⁵ / ₁₁₄	7 ³⁵ / ₈	10 ⁷ / ₁₂
Average attendance,	30	22	22	25	5	10	12	5	3
Males,	22	14	21	20	13	10	9	5	8
Females,	9	7	10	4	8	8	11 ² / ₅	8	13
Length of sch's in w'ks,	\$32	\$28	\$26	\$28	\$20	\$18	\$22	\$20	\$24
Wages of teach's pr. mo.	427 ¹ / ₂	375	317 ¹ / ₂	71 ¹ / ₂	124 ¹ / ₂	126 ¹ / ₂	252 ¹ / ₂	99 ¹ / ₂	27 ¹ / ₂
Absence of pupils in d's,	9	7	2	2	16	7	4	34	0
Tardiness,	4	2	5	21	3	6	2	1	6
No. pupils not abs't $\frac{1}{2}$ d'y	44	31	42	43	5	18	19	4	10
No. not tardy,	25	15	12	2	2	0	0	24	1
No. of dismissals,	\$6.15		\$5.22		\$6.38		\$5.02	\$4.00	\$7.09
Am't of money per schol.	21	16	24	49	17	45	13	16	14
No. of visits by citizens,	3	2	5	4	3	2	1	3	2
No. by Sup. Sch. Com.	1	0	2	2	2	1	0	0	0
No. by Prud. Com.									

STATISTICS OF WINTER SCHOOLS, FOR 1869-70.

	1	2	3
No. of Districts,	-	-	-
Whole number of pupils,	44	42	18
Average attendance,	36 ¹⁰⁰ / ₁₀₀	37 ⁴ / ₁₁	16 ² / ₅
Males,	26	26	6
Females,	18	16	12
Length of schools in weeks,	10	9	10
Wages of teachers per month,	\$60	\$58	\$30
Absence of pupils in days,	352	133	96
Number of pupils not absent $\frac{1}{2}$ day,	3	6	11
Tardiness,	13	27	15
Number not tardy,	34	29	10
Number of dismissals,	0	29	6
No. of visits by citizens,	75	53	36
No. of visits by Sup. School Committee,	3	3	3
No. of visits by Prudential Committee,	2	1	1
Amount of money contributed to prolong schools,		\$12 25	

J. S. HERRICK,

Sup. School Committee,